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In response to the Office Action of October 22, 2002, Applicants elect as required certain claims for examination and respectfully request consideration of the remarks that follow.

ELECTION OF CLAIMS

In the present Office Action, the Examiner requires election of Group I (Claims 10-12, 15-22, and 28), Group II (Claims 23 and 24), Group III (Claims 25 and 26), or Group IV (Claim 27). The Examiner also acknowledges in the Office Action that Claim 14 is a linking claim linking Groups I-IV.

Applicants hereby elect <u>without traverse</u> Group I for present examination, along with linking Claim 14. Applicants respectfully request that the restriction requirement be withdrawn

to Groups II-IV and all claims depending from Claim 14 be examined if linking Claim 14 or another linking claim is ultimately allowed.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at his convenience should he have any questions regarding this matter or to resolve any remaining issues.

Please charge any fees required by this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 04-1403.

Respectfully submitted,

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